Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

"Fig. 3 is an exemplary flow diagram of a process of operation of an update control program ~~shown in Fig. 3~~."

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

"Computer system 102 includes update control program 108, a plurality of anti-virus programs, such as anti-virus programs 110A-N, and a plurality of virus profiles, such as virus profiles 112A-N. Update control program 108 communicates with virus update servers ~~108~~<u>106</u>A-N to access and obtain updates to virus profiles 110A-N and anti-virus programs 112A-N."

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

"Although not shown in Fig. 2, the files and/or data that are scanned, as well as infected files and/or data, may be stored in memory 208, or they may be stored in other computer systems that may be connected via network <u>104</u>~~210~~."

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 15 with the following rewritten paragraph:

"In step 30~~2~~<u>4</u>, configuration manager 216 accesses the file locations of the updates on one or more virus update servers, as specified in update instructions 210. Update instructions 210 may explicitly specify particular virus update servers to access, or update instructions 210 may implicitly specify virus update servers to access based on specifications of anti-virus programs 112 or virus profiles 110 to be updated. In some cases, it may be necessary to login to a virus update server in order to access the update stored on that server. In such a case, in step 306, configuration manager 216 logs into those virus servers that require logins. Logging in may be a relatively simple process,

such as transmitting a username and password, which may be specified in update instructions 210. On the other hand, logging in may be a relatively complex process, requiring the filling and submission of an online form, the accessing of cookies, or redirection to other locations in the virus update server or to other virus update servers. A cookie is information stored in a computer system that is used by a server when the computer system accesses the server. In this situation, the cookie may contain login or security information used by the virus update server. In any case, update instructions 210 specify the appropriate actions to be taken."